



## USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report May 26, 2006

## The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending 26-May-06 average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	48.00	46.50	43.50	47.50	46.41
Last week	42.00	40.50	35.50	41.50	39.92

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 26-May-06:

New York 70-74 Midwest 46-54 California 87

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 22-May-06 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

		North	South South			Breaking		
	Northeast	Central	Central	Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Stock	Total
Current week	98.6	288.4	129.1	211.9	202.1	930.1	227.2	1157.3
% change PW	-2	-23	-15	-8	1	-12	-13	-12

	Central	States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	26-29	M 27-29	24-28 M 24-26
Checks & Undergrades	15-21	M 15-17	12-19 M 13-16

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 20-May-06. Lbs. in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		_
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
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Current Week	1,322,905	32,273	12,428	6,566	3,257	4,441
Previous Week	1,353,010	32,642	13,348	7,125	3,640	4,391
Last Year	1,359,889	31,354	14,379	7,735	2,837	4,548
% Change PWK	-2%	-1%	-7%	-8%	-11%	1%
% Change LY	-3%	3%	-14%	-15%	15%	-2%
To-Date 2006	25,621,446	633,085	239,842	129,418	59,027	86,910
To-Date 2005	25,611,607	608,701	253,023	135,599	55,809	88,314
% Change YTD	0%	4%	-5%	-5%	6%	-2%

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.11 Previous Week: 42.50 Last Year: 42.66

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.75 Previous Week: 39.26 Last Year: 39.32

	CASES	BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE		
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total	
CURRENT WEEK PREVIOUS WEEK LAST YEAR	577,822 596,248 558,625	43.7% 44.1% 41.1%	15,955 15,796 14,029	49.4% 48.4% 44.7%	

National Liquid Eggs - 26-May-06 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	49	21-25	22.47	1.95
WHITES	20	26-27.25	26.78	.22
YOLKS	6	31-32.75	31.75	1.14

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 27 to 35 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 26-May-06 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Trucklot						Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 co			
Class	Easte	rn		Centra	.1	Eastern	South California <sup>2</sup>		
Whole	34-43	M	38-40	38-43	M 38-41	42-48	44-48		
${\tt Blends}^{3}$	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT				_		
Whites	34-48	M	39-43	40-48	M 40-44	45-52	45-48		
$\mathtt{Yolks}^\mathtt{4}$									
Sugared	45-53	M	48-52	49-52		56-64	55-58		
Salted	44-49	M	44-47	45-47		50-63	51-55		

National Dried Egg Prices - 26-May-06 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.24-1.50	1.35-1.45
YOLKS	1.15-1.48	1.20-1.25
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.75-3.00	2.80-2.95
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.14-1.40	1.25-1.30

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 20-May-2006

Fowl Slaughtered	in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	l in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl	Slaughtered
This week	1,211	This week	130	This week	1,341
Last week	1,226	Last week	208	Last week	1,434
Last year	1,709	Last year	370	Last year	2,079
To Date 2006	23,842	To Date 2006	4,590	To Date 2006	28,432
To Date 2005	30,936	To Date 2005	5,848	To Date 2005	36,784

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 13-May-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	258	0	0	258
Last year /1	313	0	0	313
To date 2006/2	3,789	125	187	4,101
To date 2005	6,180	21	107	6,308

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 13-May-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	86	4	0	90
Last year /1	154	0	0	154
To date 2006/2	1,116	373	41	1,530
To date 2005	3,173	327	340	3,840

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 13-May-06

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,906	8,566	2,550	8,040	0	21,062
Last year /1	0	3,110	2,570	2,700	2,940	630	11,950
To date 2006/2	150	30,886	48,611	30,515	44,804	2,580	157,546
To date 2005	33	91,612	205,760	36,975	41,404	6,493	382,277

<sup>/1</sup> Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  f.o.b. shipping point  $^3$  whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids  $^4$  minimum 43% solids0

<sup>/2</sup> Includes revisions to previous week(s).

## National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 22-May-06

**Total All Layers** on 01-May-06 totaled 347 million, up 1% from a year ago. **Rate of lay per day** for all layers on 01-May-06 averaged 71.5 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-May-06 = 288.7 million, up 2% from a year ago. Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-May-06 averaged 73.9 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from 01-May-05.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Apr-05 totaled 34.6 million, down 9% from Apr-04. Eggs in Incubators totaled 37.0 million on 01-May-06, down 1% from a year ago. Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 255,000 during Apr-06, down 17% from Apr-05.

For information on "Layers and Eggs" call Sharyn Lavendar at (202)720-3244, for "Chicks Hatched" call Jody Roberts at (202) 690-8632, office hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

## National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Apr-06 Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	3,145	1,516	15,248	3,382	23,291
Previous Month	3,002	1,451	13,293	3,011	20,757
Last year	2,823	725	12,510	2,845	18,903
% of Previous Month	105	104	115	112	112
% of Last Year	111	209	122	119	123